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# **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Goal Announced Friday**

**Who:** Rick Sprott, executive director of Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)  
Dianne R. Nielson, energy adviser to Governor Huntsman

**What:** A press briefing to discuss Utah's greenhouse gas reduction goal intended to provide industry and state policymakers with a benchmark to guide future actions.

**When:** 8-9 a.m., Friday, June 20  
Room 201, DEQ Building #2, 168 North 1950 West.

**How:** Reporters can also contact them individually by calling:  
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**Why:** Governor Huntsman established the Blue Ribbon Advisory Council on Climate Change (BRAC) in October 2006 to address the impacts of climate change, while diversifying and securing Utah's energy future and sustaining our vibrant economy and quality of life. The BRAC report includes 72 alternatives for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, including a recommendation the state set a reduction goal. In May 2007, Utah joined the Western Climate Initiative and agreed to set a greenhouse reduction goal. Utah DEQ has engaged the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions to perform analyses of the BRAC options, including the reduction goal.

More information about Utah's greenhouse gas reduction goal, visit:  
<http://www.deq.utah.gov>

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